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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

**SUBJECT: Briefing for Senator John Glenn (D., OH) on
Soviet ASAT Threat**

25X1 1. On 26 April 1984, Senator John Glenn (D., OH) was briefed on the Soviet ASAT threat by Larry Gershwin, NIO/SP, and [] Chief/ACIS. Dr. Hank Cooper of Arms Control Disarmament Agency (ACDA) also participated. The briefing was organized by Frank Gaffney, DoD. Also attending were:

Maj. George Cull, DoD
Patricia Buckheit, Sen. Glenn's staff
Leonard Weiss, Senate Governmental Affairs Committee Staff
Carl Ford, Senate Foreign Relations Committee Staff
William Ashworth, Senate Foreign Relations Committee Staff
Douglas Grahm, Senate Armed Services Committee Staff
Chris Lay, ACDA

The briefing was conducted at the SECRET level. No transcript was taken. []

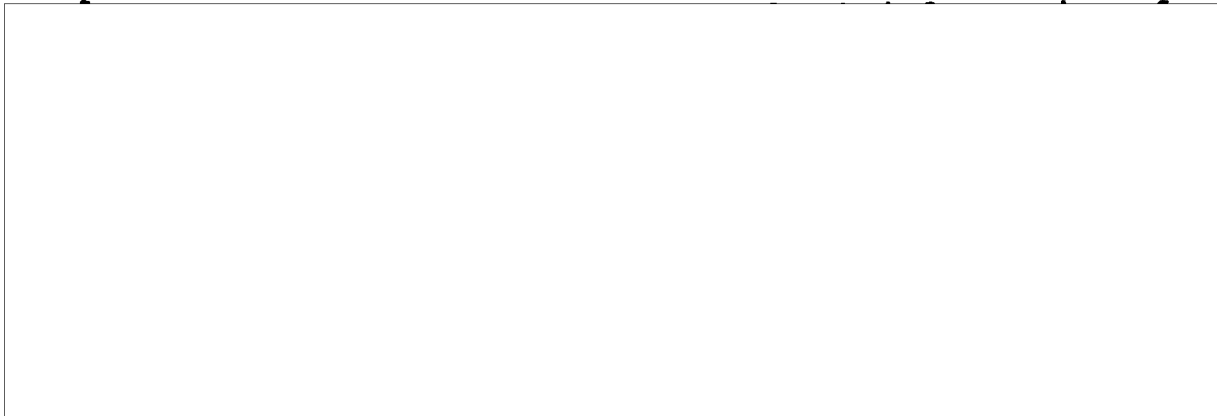
25X1 2. Dr. Gershwin presented basic material from NIE-11-1-83, The Soviet Space Program. He covered the rationale and objectives of the Soviet space program, its predominantly military orientation, and the cost of the program. Dr. Gershwin also discussed the ASAT role of Soviet space-related weapons systems, and in the event of war with the US, possible Soviet use of destructive and non-destructive measures against US space systems. Dr.

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3. Senator Glenn was present for about half the briefing and asked questions about US space capabilities compared to Soviet achievements and objectives. After Sen.

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